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1. UK seeks settlement of Anglo-Egyptian treaty-- A Foreign Office representative has informed US Embassy London that the UK has advised the Egyptian Government of the desirability of settling the UK-Egyptian treaty on a basis of "mutual trust and equality." The British Army Chief of Staff, Field Marshal Slim, is expected to visit Egypt, while en route to Australia in June, in order to discuss the purely military aspects of the problem and to point out to the Egyptians their inability to defend themselves and the necessity for Anglo-Egyptian defense. According to the Foreign Office informant, the defense arrangements envisaged include integration of planning, joint headquarters, and joint air defense.

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